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THE SENATE

Will Take Care of Big Sandy River.

West Virginia and Kentucky Senators Alive to the Interests of This Stream.

The following letter explains itself.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26, 1910.
Mr. M. F. Conley,
Louis, Ky.

Dear Sir:—
The House Bill failed to provide for lock No. 2 on the Tug Fork, and Senator Scott has offered an amendment to the Rivers and Harbors Bill making an appropriation for a dam on that fork of the river. The bill will carry an appropriation for lock and dam No. 2 on the Levisa Fork. Very truly yours,

T. H. PAYNTER.

P. S.—Since dictating the above I have talked to Senator Elkins and he says that his committee will take care of the Tug Fork.

PAYNTER.

This is good news for Big Sandians. It shows that we have some strong and loyal friends in the United States Senate. Not only that, but they are among the most influential members of that body. They are of the few who accomplish what they go after.

Senator Elkins recently demonstrated his power in the Senate when he forced the bosses to adopt his resolution requiring an investigation into the causes of the present high prices of living. He gave the whitewashers of the Senate the most uncomfortable hour they have had this session, and they begged for mercy and gave him everything he asked for.

Fifty Thousand for Tug.

Senator Elkins has added a \$50,000 appropriation for the Tug fork of the Big Sandy, which was not allowed on the House side. The appropriation for the Levisa fork of the Big Sandy carried by the House measure remains in the bill.

Improvement at White House.

Whitehouse is to be the scene of two big coal operations. In addition to the Elhart Coaleries Company, which is now installing a modern plant of large capacity, another company with a large capital is being formed which will operate the territory adjoining that of the Elhart Company, and thus make Whitehouse a hustling business place.

Corn Culture for Boys.

Superintendent of Schools O'Daniel has a small quantity of Boone White Corn which he is distributing among the school boys of the various school districts. Prizes will be given next fall to those who will have the best display. The prizes will be cash, the winners to have four, three, two and one dollar respectively.

MRS. B. P. CASSADY DEAD.

Will Be Buried at Louisa Friday of This Week.

A telegram was received here Thursday morning announcing the death of Mrs. Ben P. Cassidy, of Olive Hill, which occurred in the hospital at Salt Lick, Ky. The body will be brought here for burial and the interment will take place today (Friday).

Mr. and Mrs. Cassidy were residents of Louisa for several years and have many friends here, to whom the news of the latter's death is quite a shock. The last reports from her bedside had encouraged the hope of her recovery. Mrs. Cassidy was a native of Montgomery county, a member of an excellent family, and a woman of high character. She was probably nearly 50 years of age.

Wants Customs Court Seat.

Representative John W. Langley of Kentucky, is urging the appointment of either William L. Hurst, of Wolfe county, or M. C. Kirk, of Martin county, to be a Judge of the Customs Court, created by the tariff bill. The withdrawal of the names sent in by the President some time ago has caused a scramble for appointment among men who would be glad to occupy a position on that bench, notwithstanding it pays but \$7,000. M. W. Thatcher, who was after the District Attorneyship at Louisville, is also an aspirant.

Cornelius Bradley Dead.

The following from a newspaper published in Atchinson county, Missouri, has reference to the death of a former citizen of the Big Sandy Valley, and will be read with interest by all who once knew him in this section. Mr. Bradley was a brother of Mrs. Z. Meek, and in 1872 left Johnson county, and went to Missouri where he spent the remainder of his life.

The Missouri newspaper says: "Cornelius Bradley, far better known to his friends and acquaintances as 'Uncle Neal', has passed to a better life, departing this world last Thursday night, January 27th, 1910. The end of the existence of eighty-four years was presaged by no sickness or even by any sign that Mr. Bradley's time on earth was limited. On Thursday evening he ate a hearty supper and was apparently well. Some time after the evening meal he made complaint of feeling unwell and it was not long until his condition became such as to alarm his grandson, Dan Bradley, and wife, with whom he had made his home. Death followed soon after his first expression of feeling sick."

As To Signs and Portents.

Regarding the weather on March 1st, 1909, the diary of a Louisian reads as follows: Clear and pleasant. A little breeze in p. m., rain at night. That's the lamblike way the month made its bow. Its exit is recorded in this wise: Wednesday, March 31st, mild and pleasant. The lion was conspicuous by its absence.

The almanac winter of 1910 cried itself to death. Spring, as indicated by the calendar, bowed itself in as balmy and soothing as a typical May morning. Bring on your lions.

BOYS FIND TREASURE.

Money Dug Up From Under An Old Cabin.

The following is from the Ashland Daily Independent:

Lawrence county, Ky., has given up another story of buried treasure of a most interesting character, only the sum involved isn't as large as is usually the case. This time the treasure was unearthed by school boys who were digging for a rabbit that had gone to cover under the sagged and broken floor of a log cabin on the banks of the river, seven miles south of Grayson.

A. J. Shipley, of near Grayson, who was in the city yesterday, told the story.

Little Charley Shipley, Grant Bonnett and Gordon Farrow were on their way home from school when a neighbor's hound crossed the road ahead of them lounging on a rabbit's trail. Shortly after, the boys saw the dog digging away and whining at a hole leading under an old deserted log cabin and went over to capture bunny. While digging away the earth that banked the cabin wall an old tin canister was unearthed and dragged out. The rattle of something inside caused the boys to investigate and in an instant the rabbit was forgotten and the bound left to solve his problem as best he could.

Inside the old receptacle that had lain there for perhaps 25 years was found \$452 in gold and silver coins, bearing dates for many years back. A roll of some substance believed to have been bank notes, was also taken out, but it was so rotten and decayed by the water and its long burial in the earth, that nothing could be told about it at all.

The boys took the money to the Shipley home where it was divided evenly among them and each youngster now has a bank account. The old cabin is located on the Shipley farm and the owner could have easily asserted his claim to the entire amount, but out of kindly consideration for the youngsters who found it, divided it among them.

The cabin was occupied, more than a quarter of a century ago, by an old soldier named Stephen Johnson, who died suddenly one night, while alone, and it was always believed that he was in destitute circumstances. Instead, he had plenty as it was presumed this money was hidden by him.

\$100 REWARD \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Injury Proved Fatal.

A party of surveyors were engaged in running a line between the lands of Preston Turner and Morgan Martin on February 17th. Turner was present when the work of surveying began, but Martin was not. Martin is a timberman and was drifting timber in Beaver Creek when he heard of the surveying. He went up to where the party was working on the hillside, and on his way cut a cane, he says, to assist in climbing the hill. When he arrived on the scene hot words were passed between him and the party, whereupon Turner advanced toward Martin, and when he was near enough Martin struck him a blow around the left side of the head with the cane. The injury at first appeared of no consequence, as Turner went about his work with the surveying party, and Martin returned to his work at the creek. Several hours later during the same evening Turner fell unconscious, and at 8 o'clock he died. Martin was immediately notified, and he surrendered himself to County Judge Malone Hall.

The Martin and Turner families are very closely related, and the principals in this case were first cousins.

Preston Turner, the victim, was a single man and a brother to J. D. Turner, of Lexington. His real estate alone is valued at \$30,000. Martin is a man of considerable means and is related to almost one-half the population of Floyd county.—Prestonsburg Herald.

Paintsville Union Revival.

Great interest is manifested in the Union Revival which has been in progress at the Southern Methodist Church for more than a week. Rev. Walt Holcomb, the noted evangelist, is a power in the pulpit and as a result of his strong appeals to the sinner, many conversions have been made. The singing which is in charge of Prof. J. M. Ragamore, of Louisville, one of the greatest choir leaders in the South, cannot be excelled, the members of the choir putting much life into their work. Upon the whole it is the greatest revival service ever held in Paintsville.—Herald.

The Local Oil Situation.

There is nothing new in the local oil situation. The well on the O'Brien farm has been pumped three days and is making a fairly good showing. Enough is already known about it to be safe in stating that it is easily a paying well.

Standard Oil Company representatives are still here endeavoring to secure additional leases, but those who have not already leased are not inclined to do so, especially at low figures.

An agent for strong independent interests was here this week, and after looking over the field, entered the market for leases.

More Pay for Magistrates.

What will no doubt be good news to the magistrates of every county in the State, is the bill offered in the House by Representative T. M. Bertram, of Lewis county, increasing the pay of members of the Fiscal Court from \$3 to \$5 a day, while attending the sessions of court. Though late in the session in getting his measure started, Representative Bertram, who is known as the "boy member" of the House, declares he will show some speed from now on, and despite the fact that he belongs to the minority party, he believes he has a chance to have his bill enacted into law.

Expenses Allowed.

The Election Contest Committee in charge of the Scott-Trivette and Hill-Evans cases, made reports allowing expenses to the parties. Dr. J. H. Evans, who was unseated from the Breathitt-Lee-Magoffin district was allowed \$300 and R. C. Hill \$250. Allowances of \$250 each were made to G. C. Scott and E. E. Trivette, who contested the seat from Pike county. Trivette, Republican, the contestee, was awarded the seat.

Miller's Creek Bridge.

The new county bridge spanning the river at Miller's Creek will soon be completed and ready for use of the public. The bridge is swung to the side of the big railroad bridge and is a very substantial one. It is only ten feet in width and care must be taken by teams as only one team can pass over the bridge at a time. High iron railing on each side will keep unruly horses from jumping off the bridge. Altogether it will be a decided improvement over the old order of things.

Horribly Burned.

The 6-year-old daughter of James Hughes of Lower Greasy, was horribly burned on Thursday last, caused by his clothes catching fire at an open grate. His arms, neck, breast and one thigh were badly burned, but fortunately the child's face escaped. She was brought to River-view hospital where she is now doing well. James Hughes formerly lived on Deephole Branch, this county.

UNION MEETING.

Revival Services to Begin in Louisa March 13th.

Rev. Walt Holcomb and Singer Ragdale, of Nashville, Will Conduct the Series.

The NEWS is glad to be able to announce that definite arrangements have been perfected for the evangelistic union meeting which is to be held in this city. Note the word "union" in this connection. At a meeting held recently for the purpose of discussing the approaching service representatives for every church in the city were present, and these representatives pledged the hearty co-operation of their churches in the conduct of the meetings.

The meetings will begin on Sunday, March 13, and to further emphasize the non-sectarian or union character of the meetings, they will be held in the court house. They will not be under the direction, control or auspices of any one denomination. The various denominations are one in thought and purpose. They want and expect a grand meeting of Christians and all who desire the salvation of the people, and to these services all, rich and poor, of all shades of belief and of no belief, are cordially invited and will be made welcome.

The evangelist who has been engaged to conduct these services is the Rev. Walt Holcomb, of Nashville, Tenn. He is one of the best and most noted evangelists in the South and Southwest, attracting and holding audiences limited in size only by the dimensions of the buildings in which the meetings are held. He is a wonderfully attractive and interesting speaker, and, best of all, he is doing a world of good to a world that needs it. He is said to be very unassuming and utterly devoid of the clap-trap sort of performance which is the stock in trade of so many speakers.

Mr. Holcomb recently held a series of meetings at Paintsville, the most wonderfully successful series ever held in the Big Sandy valley. Every denomination in the town joined heartily in the meetings and the result was phenomenal. Over two hundred and fifty were converted and these united with the various churches represented in Paintsville. Accompanying Mr. Holcomb will be a singer, Mr. Ragdale, who will direct the musical part of the services. He is a fine musician and we all know how much this work has to do with the success of a revival.

The NEWS urges the citizens of Louisa and the surrounding country to attend these meetings. We need the good sought to be accomplished by the services, and it can be attained by a united effort.

Fight Over A Cow.

By reference to the letter of the NEWS correspondent at Felix, W. Va., in this issue it will be seen that the Cooks and Endicotts of that somewhat belligerent section have been at war. The ownership of a cow was the contention, and three of the Cooks and two Endicott men and one Endicott woman have been wounded. The affair has gotten into the city dailies, one account concluding as follows: "Following the shooting the Cook faction made their way into Kentucky and are now hiding in the mountains. The cow is still in the possession of the Endicott faction, and for this reason further trouble is feared."

Special Term of Circuit Court.

The called term of the Lawrence Circuit Court began Thursday morning, Judge J. B. Hannah presiding, and John M. Waugh representing the Commonwealth in the prosecution of the causes. Judge Hannah announced this special session at the last regular term, and said it would be for the trial of whiskey cases only. He had the clerk to docket 28 of these and ordered the summoning of the required jurors. Quite a large number of people will probably be in attendance throughout the term, which lasts only three days.

Is Eligible To a Deputyship.

L. T. McClure, of Louisa, has established his eligibility for a deputyship which he desires under agent Bowen, at Cincinnati. Mr. McClure has been under sixty-day tenures and wants a permanent rating.

Fine and Imprisonment.

The jury in the special term of the Circuit Court that began here Thursday morning of this week started off by fining the first whiskey seller \$30 and adding a jail sentence of 30 days.

No Negroes Need Apply.

The following is from the Pikeville correspondent of the Ashland Independent:

"Notices have been posted throughout the town by unknown parties giving notice that no white person in this community shall give employment to a negro on penalty of having their houses burned, and that every negro in the community must leave within the next ninety days. While there are so few desirable citizens among the colored population here that you can count them on your fingers, yet there are a few of the good old Southern type of the ante-bellum; if this were not so, we would certainly be glad to see that portion of the edict enforced—would be glad to see them all deported to Liberia or some other far-away point. The brutal attack on S. M. Cecil by the mulatto, Tom Mullins, on Wednesday, has stirred decent people up to a boiling point, and a few more such passes will precipitate a race riot. We admire Prestonsburg and Paintsville; they have no negroes, nor do they want any. They offer no inducements whatsoever to draw them to their midst, and are to be commended for not doing so."

Magoffin County Prisoners.

Sheriff Robert Reed, of Magoffin county, passed through Louisa on Monday en route to Frankfort where he was taking four convicts who were sentenced to the penitentiary, at Salsersville, last week. The prisoners were Sherman Hale, Jim Canada, Charley Johnson and Cornelius Arnett. The last named had been given a twelve years' sentence for killing a man. The others had been given short term sentences for less grievous offenses.

WON IN EXAMINATION.

Richard Garred Has Entered West Point Military Academy.

A couple of weeks ago the NEWS mentioned the fact that Richard Garred, of this place, had been nominated by Senator Paynter to be a cadet at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point. News has been received that Mr. Garred has successfully passed the rigid mental and physical examinations and has been ordered to report for duty. This is good news to the friends of the young man who, by industry and study, has fitted himself for a position which, if maintained, insures him an honorable standing for life.

Mr. Garred is a graduate of the Kentucky Military Institute and has been an instructor in that school. To the training received there he probably owes much of his success in passing the examination for West Point. His friends wish for him the largest measure of success.

He was one of the 27 successful applicants out of a total of 106. This is an excellent record and we are proud of the fact that a Big Sandy boy has made it. He entered the Academy March 1st, along with those who passed the examination in January.

Richard is a cousin of Capt. W. O. Johnson, the only native of Louisa who ever graduated from this renowned institution.

Entertainment Friday Night.

In compliance with general request the entertainment given in Masonic Hall by some Louisa young people a couple of weeks ago will be repeated this (Friday) evening in the same place. As the Irishman said, it will be the same as before, only different. The best of the former programme will be repeated and several new and pleasing features will be added. The object for which the "show" is given is a good one, and as the entertainment is good and the price of admission low everybody should attend. Let there be a crowded house.

William Cummings Seriously Ill.

William Cummings, brother of Mrs. E. E. Shannon and John Cummings, of this city, went to Florida recently in the hope of improving his impaired health. On Thursday a telegram was received from Jacksonville, saying that he had locked bowels and that his brother John must come at once. John Cummings is in Charleston, but he will be informed of the condition of his brother and go to Florida at once.

Mrs. Jack Castle Dead.

"Aunt Fannie," wife of "Uncle Jackie" Castle, died at her home near Richardson Feb. 19th. They lived in Louisa a few years ago and have a number of relatives here. Mrs. Castle had reached quite an advanced age.

Robt. W. Vinson has decided to go west to look for a location. He has rented his farm on Donihunt. His wife will remain in Louisa with his parents until he decides upon a location.

Miss Martha Arnett Wins.

The Miss Arnett spoken of in the following from the Paintsville Herald, was for a year the very capable head of the primary department of the Louisa public school. Her friends in this city will be pleased to hear of her success.

"In the contest case of S. D. May vs. Martha Arnett for County School Superintendent, Judge Gardner on the 1st rendered a decision dismissing May's petition and giving the contestee judgment for her costs. Miss Arnett was elected at the last November election over May by a majority of 20 votes, when May contested the election with the above result. She is a staunch Democrat, and although the county is Republican, was elected over her Republican opponent, who is a bright young man and of a prominent family. This is her second term as County Superintendent. She is very popular with the country folk."

Dudding Sentenced.

Earl E. Dudding was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary by Judge Taylor, in Criminal Court at Huntington, for the murder of his uncle, Ira S. Chapman, on the 6th day of last September.

The action of the court followed a period of several days, during which the motion to set aside the verdict was being considered. Immediately after Judge Taylor announced that he would overrule the motion to set the verdict aside, sentence was conferred upon Dudding. Attorney George J. McComas asked that a stay of sixty days be granted so that an opportunity would be given to carry the case to the Supreme Court. Judge Taylor granted the stay.

New Bridge Across Tug.

Through a bill passed by the House Otto Burger, of Cincinnati, Milton E. Foster, of Dayton, and William Cecil, of Cadetsburg, Thomas J. Ewing, George B. Patton were given permission to construct a combined railroad, trolley and wagon bridge across the Tug fork of the Big Sandy river in Kentucky.

The viaduct will be located at the boundary line of Kentucky and West Virginia. Representative Langley, of Kentucky, introduced the bill, which carried the government's authorization to proceed with the work. The proposed bridge is to be located about twenty miles above Louisa.

It Was Largely Attended.

Meaning the spelling match held on Friday evening last. Mr. Noah Cisco, of the K. N. C., was master of ceremonies, and the ease with which he conducted matters showed that he had been M. of C. on many another similar occasion. The prize quilt was captured by Con Berry, a K. N. C. student. By the way, these K. N. C. people are capturing about all they strive for. Enroll now and enter the contest for honors.

Celebrated His Fifteenth Birthday.

Chris Sullivan celebrated his fifteenth birthday on the evening of Saturday, February 19, and a royal good time was enjoyed by all who participated in the festivities of the occasion. Chris had over sixty guests, and they testified to their interest in the welfare and happiness of their host by the presentation of numerous suitable gifts. Altogether the event was a very happy one.

JOHN P. BROMLEY

Dies in Huntington and is Buried at Wayne.

John P. Bromley, a prominent citizen of Wayne county, and a brother of Sam and Dr. A. W. Bromley, of this city, died in Huntington on Saturday last after a short illness caused by acute Bright's disease. The body was interred in the Chase Ferguson graveyard at Wayne on the following Monday. Sam Bromley went to Huntington immediately upon the reception of the news of his brother's death. Dr. Bromley went down Sunday night, and both were at the burial.

John P. Bromley was a prominent man in Wayne county by reason of his family, the families into which he married, and on account of his enterprise as a farmer and trader. He was a son of John Bromley, one of the best known men in Wayne county. His first wife was a daughter of the late Sam Vinson. By her he had two children. His second wife was a daughter of the late Charles Ferguson, of Wayne. Three children were the fruit of this union. Mr. Bromley is survived by this wife and the five children. Mr. Bromley was a highly respected citizen one whose death is a distinct loss to the county. He would have been 57 years old on the 1st of next month.